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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

Thomas A. Silvestrini

Serial No.: 08/596,221

Filing Date: July 15, 1996

For: SEGMENTED PLIABLE  
INTRASTROMAL CORNEAL INSERT

Examiner: Mary Beth Jones

Group Art Unit: 3738

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 2, 1998 for which a response is due on June 2, 1998 and for which a three-month extension of time concurrently filed herewith to extend the time for response from June 2, 1998 to September 2, 1998. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 25-27 and 29.